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## **Attention: Medicaid Physicians, Pharmacies, FQHC, RHC, and Nursing Homes**

### **Anti-infective Agents added to the Preferred Drug List**

**Effective March 1, 2005**, the Alabama Medicaid Agency will require prior authorization (PA) for payment of non-preferred brands of Anti-infective agents. A list all of Alabama Medicaid's preferred agents to include the Anti-infective agents is available at [www.medicaid.state.al.us](http://www.medicaid.state.al.us).

### **Prior Authorization for Generic Oxycontin (Oxycodone)**

**Effective March 1, 2005**, the Alabama Medicaid Agency will require prior authorization (PA) for payment of generic Oxycontin.

The prior authorization (PA) request form can be found on the Agency website at [www.medicaid.state.al.us](http://www.medicaid.state.al.us), and should be utilized by the prescribing physician or the dispensing pharmacy when requesting a PA. According to regulations, requests may be called in, faxed or mailed to:

**Health Information Designs (HID)  
Medicaid Pharmacy Administrative Services  
P. O. Box 3210  
Auburn, AL 36832-3210  
Fax: 1-800-748-0116  
Phone: 1-800-748-0130**

Incomplete PA requests or those failing to meet Medicaid criteria will be denied. If the prescribing physician believes medical justification should be considered, the physician must document this on the form or submit a written letter of medical justification along with the prior authorization form. Additional information may be requested. Staff physicians will review this information.

Policy questions concerning this provider notice should be directed to the Pharmacy Program at (334) 242-5050. Questions regarding prior authorization procedures should be directed to the HID help desk at 1-800-748-0130.

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